November 20, 2017 Special Meeting

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD NOVEMBER 20, 2017

A Special Meeting of Hopewell City Council, was held Monday, November 20, 2017, at 6:15 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, Virginia.

PRESENT: Jackie M. Shornak, Mayor

Jasmine E. Gore, Vice Mayor (arrived at 6:25 pm)

Arlene Holloway, Councilor

Brenda S. Pelham, Councilor (arrived at 6:36pm)

Janice Denton, Councilor

Anthony Zevgolis, Councilor (arrived at 6:16pm) Christina Luman-Bailey, Councilor (arrived at 6:16pm)

Ronnieye Arrington, City Clerk

ABSENT: Charles Dane, Interim City Manager (presence not required)

Stefan Calos, City Attorney (presence not required)

ROLL CALL

Mayor Shornak opened the meeting at 6:17 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Councilor Luman-Bailey - present
Councilor Holloway - present
Councilor Zevgolis - present
Vice Mayor Gore - absent
Councilor Denton - present
Councilor Pelham - absent
Mayor Shornak - present

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion was made at 6:17 p.m. by Councilor Luman-Bailey and seconded by Councilor Zevgolis to adopt the agenda. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Luman-Bailey - yes
Councilor Holloway - yes
Councilor Zevgolis - yes
Vice Mayor Gore - yes
Councilor Denton - yes
Councilor Pelham - yes
Mayor Shornak - yes

CLOSED MEETING

At 6:23 p.m. a motion was made by Councilor Denton, and seconded by Councilor Zevgolis, to go into Closed Meeting for discussion and consideration of prospective candidates for employment of appointment of specific appointees of city council (city manager, city attorney); discussion of performance of specific appointees of council (city manager); and consultation with legal counsel employed or retained

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by city council related thereto and other specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by counsel retained by City Council, in accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 (A) (1) [two items] and (8), respectively. Councilor Denton asked why paragraph 2 of the closed motion regarding legal counsel was included if there was no legal counsel present at the meeting. The Clerk advised Councilor Denton that the Mr. Calos was available by phone for all meetings at which he did not attend in person. Mayor Shornak further explained that the second paragraph was a placeholder in case Council needed to speak with the City Attorney regarding any items in closed session. There being no further discussion, upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Denton	-	yes
Councilor Pelham	-	yes
Mayor Shornak	-	yes

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

Council convened into Open Session at 6:55 p.m. and responded to the question pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3712 (D): were only public business matters (I) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (II) identified in the closed-meeting motion discussed in closed meeting? Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Luman-Bailey	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes
Councilor Zevgolis	-	yes
Vice Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Denton	-	yes
Councilor Pelham	-	yes
Mayor Shornak	-	ves

ADJOURN

At 6:55 p.m., motion was made by Councilor Luman-Bailey, and seconded by Councilor Gore to adjourn. All councilors voted in unison to adjourn the meeting.

	<u>/s/</u>
	Jackie M. Shornak, Mayor
/s/	
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk	